

Great are the triumphs of the Telegraph! On Tuesday, Her Majesty read the Speech from the throne, and to-day—only three days after delivery—we lay a synopsis of the same before our readers. It is said that during the delivery of the Speech, the people cried "Reform! Reform!" and it will be seen that the attention of Parliament has been called to the state of the franchise, with a view to the extension of its privileges. Her Majesty expresses a belief that the misunderstanding between Great Britain and the United States will be amicably adjusted, and announces that steps to that end have been taken.

If the New York *Herald* is to be believed, the Canadian Confederation scheme is assuming a tangible shape in England, and the probable appointment of Prince Alfred as Viceroy would give great satisfaction to all parties. Should this despatch be correct, we of British Columbia may expect to be included in the Confederation—a consummation devoutly to be wished for, under certain restrictions and with conditions.

The same authority furnishes startling intelligence from Mexico. By previous accounts we were led to believe that the French forces at Mazatlan were preparing to evacuate that port and return to France. But from the *Herald's* despatch it would appear that the United States Consul at that city had made himself obnoxious to and had been executed by the French military authorities, whereupon a United States gunboat bombarded the town for eight hours. The despatch is vague and indefinite, and as the *Herald's* reputation for veracity is not of the highest order, it is probably a *canard*, for we cannot conceive how any military commander, in the possession of his sensus, would pursue a course that would be certain to involve his nation in war.

Turning from the news from abroad to that from a quarter in which we are more intimately concerned, we find in the telegrams from the mainland much to inspire the public mind with renewed confidence in the well-being of the country. In the Council we find Mr DeCosmos asking for a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of amending the Constitution of the Colony so as to increase the popular representatives to two-thirds of the whole number of Councillors. If the promises of His Excellency mean anything, this motion will meet with Executive favor, for we can imagine no position more irksome or disagreeable than that now occupied by the Governor. In reply to a question by Dr Helmcken, Mr Birch announced that it was the intention of Government to repeal the Trade License, Head Tax and Tonnage Dues. This is, indeed, gratifying, and is, we trust, the forerunner of still more enlightened legislation.

Added to the improved state of the political atmosphere, it is gratifying to find that a change for the better has taken place at Cariboo, where a claim on the bank of a stream known as Canadian Creek, and heading in the same mountain with William Creek, has yielded an almost fabulous amount of gold to a single set of timber.

Taken all in all, we have never had it in our power to lay a more important budget of news before our readers, who, by the fulness of our telegrams to-day, are in a measure compensated for the patience they have exhibited towards us during the lengthened period in which the wires have been "down."

A Snake Five Feet Long Milk a Cow.

From the New Albany (Ind.) Ledger.

A gentleman in the lower part of this city has a splendid milk cow. She ordinarily gives from two to three gallons at a milking. It is a remarkable fact that for the last two months she has given more in cold weather than in warm.

When the weather cold her milk is abundant, but when it moderates her supply is reduced down frequently to less than a quart.

That remarkable freak attracted the notice of her owner several weeks ago and ever since he has been busily trying to divine the cause. At last he thought she was milked by other parties than members of the family, but as the cow was confined in a lot adjoining his residence and closely watched he became satisfied no person other than some one of his family milked her.

During the recent extreme cold weather her milk was abundant, but yesterday (the weather having become very much moderate) she failed entirely. This morning he got up determined, if possible, to learn the cause of the failure. He had hardly entered the cow yard before his attention was attracted to a rustling noise in some chinks near the stable. Presently he saw a huge snake emerge from underneath the stable and crawl up to his favorite milker and deliberately begin stripping her teats. The snake was at least five feet long, and as large as a man's arm at the shoulders. It was what is known as a cow snake. The mystery was now explained. In cold weather the snake lies dormant, hibernating, but when the weather gets warm he emerges from his winter quarters. The gentleman attempted to kill the snake but failed. It ran back under the stable, where it now securely lies gorged with its favorite beverage.

The gentleman who relates this snake story is one of our most respected citizens and vouches for its truth.

Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the 1st of each month, and the daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will in future be made to this rule.

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Medical.

Scrofula, or King's Evil,
is a constitutional disease, a corruption of the blood, by which this fluid becomes vitiated, weak, and poor. Being in the circulation, it pervades the whole body, and may burst out in disease on any part of it. No organ is free from its attacks, nor is there one which it may not destroy. The scrofulous taint is variously caused by mercurial disease, low living, disordered or unhealthy food, impure air, filth, and filthy habits, the depressing vices, and, above all, by the venereal infection. Whatever be its origin, it is hereditary, the constitution, descending "from parents to children, from the third and fourth generation; and, indeed, it seems to be the root of all vices, "I will visit the iniquities of the fathers upon their children."

Its effects commence by deposition from the blood of corrupt or ulcerous matter, which, in the lungs, liver, and internal organs, is termed tubercles; in the glands, swellings; and on the surface, eruptions or sores. This foul corruption, which genders in the blood, depresses the energies of life, so that scrofulous constitutions not only suffer from scrofulous complaints, but they have far less power to withstand the attacks of other diseases: consequently, vast numbers perish by disorders which, though not scrofulous in their nature, are yet aggravated by it.

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